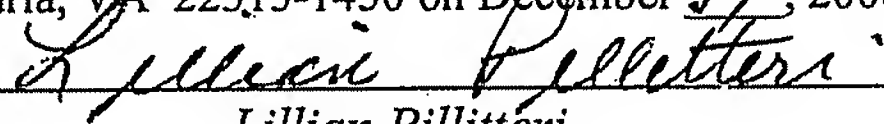


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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2008.

Attached as part of this Response are:

1. A claims Listing as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d)(1);
2. A Substitute Specification marked to show all changes made relative to the immediately prior version; and
3. A clean copy of the Substitute Specification; and
4. A Substitute Abstract.

Due to the amendments presented herein there are now 21 independent claims and 34 claims total present in this application. Accordingly, it is believed an additional filing fee of \$3,960 is due. The Commissioner is authorized to charge undersigned's Deposit

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Please amend the application as indicated on the following pages of this Response and enter the Remarks presented herein.